In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 9 with the following:

In recent years, liquid crystal display devices of the active matrix type having a thin film transistor (TFT) for each of the pixels have been widely used in a variety of applications owing to their such features as small thickness, reduced weight, operating on low voltages and consuming less electric power. Modern liquid crystal display devices are realizing a large screen with high precision yet maintaining a wide viewing angle, improved brightness and increased contrast. Therefore, there are realized display characteristics comparable to those of a CRT (cathode-ray tube), lending the liquid crystal display device well suited even for such applications as monitors and TV receives receivers which have, so far, chiefly employed the CRT.